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Jasper's Note Book

A was generally expected, the Borden government refused to interfere with the A. and G.W. legislation in response to the appeal for disallowance. The latter prerogative has been held to exist for use only in cases of great national emergency and in view of the trouble which previous federal governments have been led into through exercising it, the tendency is to apply it less and less.

Under the Laurier administration, some of the acts of the Whitney government in Ontario were held to be such as to bring discredit on the country as a whole, but nothing was done at Ottawa. So it is not at all surprising even though the Conservatives are now in power in the Dominion and in this instance they had to deal with Liberal legislation, they refused to take the risk of adding to their troubles. There is no doubt that the matter is one that should be left for the people of the Province directly affected to settle for themselves.

T HE definite statement made during the week by Vice-President Bury of the C.P.R. as to the company's plans for its northwest lines is the most definite that has yet come from a high official and should leave no doubt as to the fact that its entrance into Edmonton is part of a general project which must mean a very great deal in the way of development.

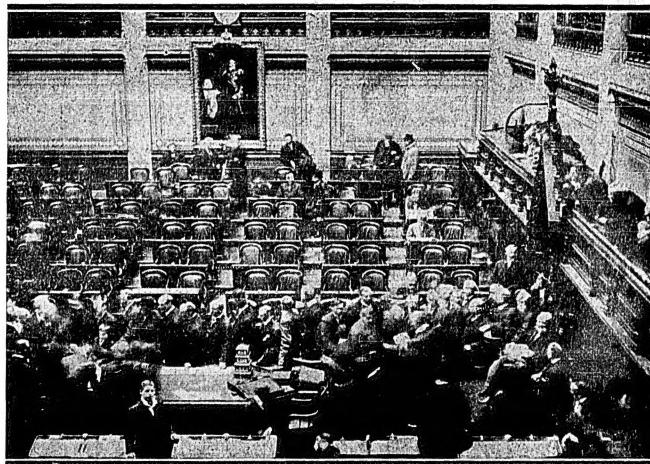
The branch that was started out of Swift Current on the main line during the past year is to be continued through to Edmonton. Swift Current will also be connected up with Weyburn on what is known as the Soo Line, which will give direct connection with St. Paul. The ultimate northwest destination is undoubtedly the Peace River.

N view of all that we heard at the time of the general election about the effect on Canadian development of a free entrance of Canadian in to the Western American centres, it is of decided interest, to which the railway building plans referred to above add not a little; to learn that the C.P.R. has so adjusted its rates as to carry wheat and oats to Minneapolis for the same charges as to Fort William and Port Arthur. In announcing this change, the statement is made that it will help the western farmer in saving the 25,000,000 bushels of grain that now remain unmarketed west of the Lakes. Is our national entity endangered by the move?

T HE possibility of an Anglo-German war still disturbs Europe. Very bitter feeling undoubtedly prevails between the two countries and it would take very little to bring on a conflict, horrible though the consequences would be to both nations. Canadians hardly realize all that it would mean to them. They follow the developments very much as if they were of no more personal consequence than an impending struggle on another planet. As a matter of fact, if war should come, it would be bound to bring to a sudden stop all the wonderful progress that we have been experiencing in this country and to the continuation of which we look forward so confidently.

For these reasons anything that throws a new light on the underlying causes of trouble is of value. We have heard the matter argued over and over again from the British standpoint. But we do not often have the opportunity of hearing the opinion of the average German, the man who, not being an extremist either way, decides the issue of peace or war. Such a man, Prof. Hans Delbrück, the professor of History in the University of Berlin, made a statement recently in the London Daily Mail that is worthy of the closest attention. Here is part of what he said:

"Can an Anglo-German war be averted? I begin to think it cannot. We know now that England deliberately planned to fall upon us without formal declaration of war last summer. We know now how near we were to the realization of a British admiral's grim prophecy that the Germans would wake up some morning to find that they had once had a fleet! The nation is so outraged over that revelation that the next Reichstag may be asked to pass a law permitting us to treat as pirates the prisoners of any enemy who begins hostilities under those wanton circumstances—to shoot or hang them at sight! I doubt very much if our Government will be able for long to resist the pressure for more powerful armaments, which are demanded in all patriotic German circles. Morocco proved to the hilt, if further proof were necessary, that Eng-



AT THE OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

How the House of Commons looks during the "swearing-in." The picture is blurred on account of the energy with which the members vote themselves to the performance of this ceremony. To the right of the picture can be seen the Press Gallery and some of its occupants.

land is our inveterate enemy. In the face of such a peril there is only one alternative—more Dreadnoughts! We realize that a heavy or sudden increase of our fleet might—probably would—be considered a *cassis bellici* by England. But people think we must risk that. We cannot and will not ever again tolerate such malicious interference with legitimate German aspirations with France over Morocco.

"You ask me on what terms Germany wants peace and friendship with England—what Germany demands as 'positive' evidence of British good will. We do not dispute England's right to be supreme at sea. We recognize that her insular character and far-flung imperial ramifications make it imperative for Britannia to 'rule the waves.' I myself should consider German interests at sea perfectly secure if the proportion of British naval preponderance as to Germany were in the ratio of two to one. Our naval tacticians would probably not be content with a less margin than three to two. But they do not seek to outstrip or displace Britain at sea. We insist only upon such a fleet as will command the respect of the supreme fleet. If we are to be any weaker than that, we might as well throw away the ships we have and build no more."

"England's theory that Germany is land-hungry is a myth. Germany is a land of immigration, not emigration. Our total emigration has fallen to about 25,000. To us every year come hundreds of thousands of immigrant laborers from the East. We want markets, not territory. That was the main spring of our rencontre with France over Morocco. France, diametrically unlike Britain, slams the trade door in the face of foreigners in all her Colonial possessions. We wanted to avert such a contingency in a country so rich with trade possibilities as the Moroccan Empire. There is no territory in Europe which we covet, none in the Americas or in Asia. In Africa alone we see possibilities worth cultivating, but not in British Africa. I am thinking of what seems to me the inevitable eventual collapse of Portuguese power in Africa, and a division of the Republic's possessions there between England and Germany. There would have been such a division long ago, I doubt not, but there again British repugnance to the idea of German expansion has intervened to our disadvantage. We want no coaling-stations in remote corners of the seven seas. Coaling-stations mean fortifications and garrisons—graveyards for subsidies in peace and vulnerable outposts in war. Fuel, moreover, promises to reduce the value of coaling-stations to the vanishing point."

"Can Britons rid themselves of the nightmare that Germany wants war with England. We have fire-eaters who want war; your country is not altogether free from them. We do not want war with England because we know perfectly well that it has nothing to bring us, even if we should win. Could we take and hold Egypt, perhaps, or Ireland, or British South Africa, or Canada, or Australia? Is the German regime, so beloved by the Arabs, the Irish, the Dutch, or the French-Canadians, or the Britons overseas that they would ac-

cept it without making us fight, and fight interminably, to impose it upon them? If Germany humbled Britain in war, it would not be six months before we should find ourselves precisely in the desperate position of Napoleon I.—the masters of Europe, with all Europe united to encompass our overthrow. That is a vision the business Germany of 1911, the sane and sensible Germany of 1911, conjures up only to banish as wild and irresponsible."

"Let me summarise what I have said: The abandonment of unworthy suspicions; the acknowledgement of our right to grow and to participate in shaping the world's destinies; the expression of an honest desire to reach an understanding; formal diplomatic steps in that direction; simultaneous withdrawal of arbitrary opposition to legitimate German political aspirations—those are the things we mean by an exhibition of British friendship in 'positive form.' If you have no inclination to meet us on that ground, if your interests rather point to a perpetuation of the anything-to-beat-Germany policy, so let it be. The Armageddon which must then, some day, ensue will not be of our making."

If this is a fair statement of Germany's case, it should be evident that the bad feeling is mainly the result of unreasonable suspicion on both sides. We know of the outrageous designs that have been ascribed to Germany by Britishers. As to Prof. Delbrück's charge that Britain was prepared to sweep down on the German navy, it has been pointed out that at the time the Moroccan crisis developed there were only four British battleships in the North Sea, but that if there were any such design, it would not be difficult to carry it out as the strength of the British fleet is twice that of the German at present.

There is nothing to show that Britain desires to interfere with Germany's legitimate national aspirations as defined by Prof. Delbrück. The Morocco crisis arose because Germany violated a definite treaty that had been entered into in respect to that country some years before. Britain was under obligation to stand by France and no self-respecting nation could have disregarded that obligation. Nor are Portugal's possessions in the hands of Britain to dispose of.

But Prof. Delbrück left himself most open when he exclaimed that "we want markets, not territory." Why then should any umbrage be taken against Britain which leaves its immensely valuable home market absolutely open to Germany, while the latter surrounds her trade with extreme protective duties? Such a state of affairs does not look like deliberate unfriendliness.

T HE record of most healthy and substantial growth which the retiring president of the Board of Trade, Mr. F. M. Morgan, was able to present at the annual meeting of that body, is as evidence of the soundness of the situation he made the striking statement that there was no building, either designed for business or residential purposes, that was empty anywhere in the city at the present time. This looks like what is familiarly known as

ONE of the most popular men in this part of the West, Mr. Peter Gunn, M.P.P. for Lac Ste. Anne, had the misfortune to break two ribs and injure his arm in a runaway accident during the week. But after so many years of roughing it in the West, it would take more than a little thing like this to keep him away from his duties and he was in his place as usual in the Legislature.

THE most genuine regret was expressed by all who had the good fortune to know him on receipt of the news of the death of Wilkie Dodd, up till a few months ago city passenger agent of the C.N.R. Edmonton. Mr. Dodd was a model of all that an official of a public service corporation should be and many a friend he made for his company as well as scores for himself by his unfailing courtesy and care in the discharge of his duties. He was the kind of man it was a great privilege to have known and to have had either business or social relations with.

MONG the amendments to the Edmonton Charter that the Legislature will be asked to make is one that will give power to make a special levy of not more than three-quarters of a mill for park purposes. This is a necessity if steady progress is to be made along these lines. The city must, as its size increases, make definite provision in accordance with that growth for affording the proper breathing spots for a large population. It has taken some time for Edmonton to realize its duty but there can be no longer any question that it has at last aroused to a sense of the necessities that confront it.

HERE is still some uncertainty in regard to the date of the first municipal elections for Greater Edmonton. But an interesting contest is assured. The suggestion made recently by the Saturday News that the natural choice for Mayor was Mr. Arthur Davies of Strathcona, has been well received. Mr. Davies has not consented to run, holding that his private affairs require all his attention, but if he could be induced to take the field it would serve an admirable purpose to elect him by a large majority. It would do more than anything else could to cement the union of the cities to choose as the first mayor one from the smaller municipality and the man who more than anyone else was responsible for bringing amalgamation about. It could only be effected by some one in Strathcona placing himself at the head of a movement with such an object in view. An agitation in Edmonton counted for nothing. Mr. Davies stepped into the breach courageously, and his services should be recognized. Apart from this, he has all the qualifications of a chief executive.

Major B. J. Saunders has announced that he is definitely in the field. When his name was first mentioned, a very high opinion was expressed on this page as to his fitness for the position. He has long taken a keen interest in municipal work. While a resident of Brockville, Ont., he was city engineer. Under the old Territorial government he was deputy minister of public works and in that post had administrative experience which would stand him in good stead in the service of the municipality. He has travelled extensively and has kept his eyes open at all times and there would be no doubt about his bringing to his duties much information respecting civic problems which he could very successfully apply.

In view of the opening of the Panama canal, a leading English shipping concern owning and controlling two hundred steamers is making preliminary arrangements for a regular cargo service between London or Liverpool and Vancouver. Grain from Alberta and timber and fruit from British Columbia will constitute the chief home-bound cargo a freight rates considerably below those of the St. Lawrence route.

DOCTORS HAD GIVEN UP ALL HOPE

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At this time, a lady strongly urged me to try "Fruit-a-lives". When I had taken one box, I was much better and after three boxes, I was practically well again, and have never vomited since. I have taken 13 boxes in all and now weigh 150 pounds and am well."

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The applicants apply for the right to divert one-fourth of one cubic foot of water per second from the Sturgeon River, at a point on River Lot 54, Township 53, Range 25, West of the 4th Meridian, for other purposes, and for the right to construct the necessary works as shown by the memorial and plans filed, to enable the water so diverted to be used for the said other purposes in the collieries. *

The undermentioned lands are also affected by right of way for the proposed works, viz.: River Lot 54, and the Northwest quarter of section 28, in township 53, range 25, west of the 4th Meridian.

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A HINT FOR HUBBY.

They lived in one of those new garden suburbs, where everyone loves his neighbor, and the green grass grows greener, and the houses are white and red. The great scandal of the moment in that particular suburb was the story that a newly-married lady had ruthlessly buried a plate at her hubby, because he had ventured in error to sit upon her new hat. Mrs. Nextdoor was as flabbergasted as the tale as anyone, and drew her own husband's attention to the matter.

He placed his face nearer to that of his wife—they had not been married very long, either—as she remarked tenderly:

"I could never throw anything at you, could I, petite, however."

"No, duckie, I am sure you couldn't. You wouldn't if you could, and I am certain you'll never try."

"Of course I couldn't, Jack," replied his better half. "You see, I haven't got a new hat for you to sit on!"

Energetic Sales Managers wanted to establish headquarters in Edmonton and look after entire business of Alberta. Exclusive contract issued. Address, with bank and business reference, Diaphragm Carbon Paper Co., Inc., Philadelphia, Pa.



Our dear old friend, Laura Jane Libbey, has come to the rescue of young and old Albert as affected with heart trouble. She now ministers daily to their wants through the columns of the *Calgary Albertan*. Here is one of the knotty problems that was put up to her the other day:

"Dear Miss Libbey: Since almost two years I love sincerely and with all my heart a young man who adores me, sacrificing everything to procure me contentment and happiness. The idea to lose him makes me very unhappy; brings me almost to despair. Now, my sweetheart, when he was a boy of 7 years, met with an accident, made a fall, and hurt his back. Being of healthy constitution and parentage, he recovered promptly, but as a result of the accident a slight curvature of the spine remained. He is now 25 years old, a graduate of state university. In society they like him very much for his fine education and a most agreeable character, and then I think he is a nice boy. I know several girls and even married ladies who have followed him with their love. I would be glad to have your advice. I think of marrying him as soon as I can."

IOWA GIRL.

Miss Libbey makes this reply:

"Yes, marry him if he asks you and you love him as you say do. The accident wouldn't make any difference so far as I can judge—surely not if you love him."

How old-fashioned! The very idea of a modern young lady waiting till she was asked. Anyone with as bad a case as she has should not be expected to wait for a small detail like this. Being on to his curves of the spine and otherwise, the proper thing to do is simply to say: "Here, young fellow, I've put my tag on you. You must have enough to keep body and soul and automobile together, so it's up to us to like to the person's." Or if she hasn't the nerve to carry this programme through, what's the matter with having her mother adopt the time-honored dodge of scaring the young fellow into an avowal. He has, quite clearly, committed himself far enough to make it impossible to get out of the web. All that the maid from Iowa lacks is a little enterprise.

The Chinese government has offered to sell Mongolia for \$70,000,000. Here's a chance for some of our real estate men. Let's see how far would its outer edge be from the post office?

Since the Chinamen are all cutting off their pigtail, that old joke will soon be out of date about the man, who when he went to China, found it hard to remember faces. He mentioned this difficulty to a mandarin. He said:

"I'm getting over it now; but in the beginning here in Hankow you all looked as like as two peas."

"Two peas?" said the intelligent mandarin, smiling. "But why not say two queues?"

The other day a despatch ran through the newspapers. It concerned a fight between two Southern gentlemen in a rural community. They used a scythe, a corn knife, a shovel, and a butcher knife to express their real feelings concerning one another.

One combatant died on the field of battle and the other, badly cut, died soon after he had been removed from the gory scene.

The A.P. story told all the distressing and bloody details and wound up with this sentence:

"It is thought these two men had some sort of a misunderstanding."

This serves to recall the story of Ole, who was killed in an accident on the railway. The friend who had been walking with him along the ties was told by the coroner to give his version of the affair. He replied:

"Well, Ole and I was walking down the track and I heard a whistle and I got off the track and the train went by and I got back on the track and I didn't see Ole; but I walked along and pretty soon I seen one of Ole's legs and then I seen one of Ole's arms, and then another leg, and then over on one side Ole's head and I says: 'My God something muster happened to Ole.'"

When Mike-elangelo Maginnis decorated his new saloon he had a large burnt wood board hung up over the glasses bearing the well-known inscription in old English letters:

Old Wine to Drink,
Old Books to Read,
Old Friends to Trust,
Old Wood to Burn.

Many were the compliments he received on his fine taste in decoration, and Mr. Maginnis was highly pleased with himself, but six weeks later the legend appeared thus:

Old Wine to Drink,
Old Books to Read,
Old Wood to Burn.

Mrs. Greening: And what does this statue represent?

Mrs. Browning: That is Psyche, executed in terra cotta.

Mrs. Greening: Poor thing! They are so barbarous in those South American countries.

"Why are you so bitter against Uncle Nebuchadnezzar?"

"He lost his money shortly after we named the baby for him."

The motorist emerged from beneath the car and struggled for breath. His helpful friend, holding the oil can, beamed upon him. "I've just given the cylinder a thorough oiling, Dick, old man," said the helpful friend.

"Cylinder," said the motorist, heatedly, "that wasn't the cylinder; it was my ear!"

Hungry Englishman (who prides himself on his French)—"J'ai une faim énorme."

French Waitress—"Vraiment, m'sieu? Mais votre femme, ce n'est pas mon affaire!"

—London Punch.

The young man was trying to select a jeweled belt for the young lady to whom he was engaged. "What size do you wish, sir?" asked the salesgirl.

The prospective bridegroom blushed and stammered. "Really, I don't know." Then a thought struck him. "Lend me your tape measure," he said.

The measure was handed to him and he laid it on the inside of his arm, from shoulder to wrist. "Twenty inches, please," he said, with decision.

Daughter: "But, mamma, he says you look almost as young as I do, and that he would never take you to be my mother."

Mother: "I think so? Next thing you know he will be saying that your father ought to join the Boy Scouts."

"You have captured one of our generals," said the South American commander.

"Yes," said the leader of the insurgents, "we have."

"We will exchange two colonels for him."

"Nix."

"Then two colonels and a captain."

"Nothing doing. You can have him, however, for a can of condensed milk."

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THE VALUE OF FRIENDSHIP.

As the clock strikes at midnight on the last day of December, s—ys Margaret E. Sangster in *Woman's Home Companion*, we bid farewell to a friend who has had so much to do in twelve busy months that he has grown old before our eyes. A year ago, as the clock struck one, he stepped into the world's arena, spruce and debonair, with a smiling face and a long path before him. Now he joins the train of the centuries that are past. The old year belongs to yesterday, the new year presents us with a wonderful budget of to-morrows. He is our latest acquisition in friendship—this blithé newcomer—and at the breakfast-table, and on the street, and everywhere, for the first twenty-four hours of his advent, we are under a spell, good cheer predominates, and we wish everyone we meet a Happy New Year.

One of the profoundest necessities of life is the making of new friendships that may add to our store of blessings. Old friends grow constantly more precious as time passes. A stock of associations in common, the memory of red-letter days, the jests and anecdotes that are not public property and are sacred to private life, the books enjoyed together, the rambles and outings, the remembered music—in fact, everything that is part and parcel of life tends to make old friendships dear. Yet business interests may compel friends to live at distances so remote that during long stretches of years they may never meet.

Death, too, steps in relentlessly to interrupt human friendship. The world grows poorer when our loved ones are snatched away. It behoves us to be open to the reception of new friends, not merely of new acquaintances, but of those who will help to brighten our lives and whose lives we may brighten.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF EDMONTON:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Having been requested by a large number of the Electors of the cities of Edmonton and Strathcona to be a candidate for the Mayoralty of Greater Edmonton at the forthcoming Civic Elections, this means is taken or announcing my decision to be a candidate.

Although the time is short between now and election day, it will be my endeavor to see as many of you as possible. Public meetings will be held in different parts of Greater Edmonton to discuss the municipal situation. Due notice of these meetings will be given in the Press and by other means.

The platform upon which your support is asked will be announced in the near future.

Trusting to be favored with your confidence and assuring you of my best efforts in behalf of Greater Edmonton, if elected, I am

Yours faithfully,
B. J. SAUNDERS.

January 23, 1912.

THEY HAVE YET TO SCORE A FAILURE

Dodd's Kidney Pills Emerge Triumphant from Every Test.

Ernest St. Pierre tells how they rescued him from the tortures of Backache and Bright's Disease.

Le Petit Bois Franc, Temiscouata Co., Que., Jan. 22. (Special)—Ernest St. Pierre, a well-known farmer of this place is telling his neighbors of his almost miraculous cure from Bright's Disease, and he always winds up with:

"I advise all persons suffering from Backache or Bright's Disease to use Dodd's Kidney Pills." For like thousands of other sufferers in Canada Mr. St. Pierre found his cure in the good old Canadian Kidney remedy.

And his indeed was a particularly bad case. His eyes were puffed and swollen, his appetite was fitful and he was always tired and nervous, while the pains in his back made any form of work something to be avoided. Today he is strong and well. Six boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills worked the transformation.

More and more in this neighborhood is it becoming a motto, "If the disease is of the kidneys or from the kidneys, Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure it." They have been tried in many cases of backache, rheumatism, lumbago and Bright's disease, and in no case where they have been given a fair trial have they failed to cure.

DUELS NOT DANGEROUS

An English broker gives it as his opinion that a premium rate of ten shillings per cent. would be about right for a French duel.

Hallian or Spanish knife contests and heavy sword German duels would call for a heavier rate. Jockeys, particularly steeped in racing, pay extra rates, so do soldiers.

"Afghan," said one insurance broker, "we bar altogether, but if a French duelist came over and insured his life and then had the misfortune to be killed in a duel we should regard it as our bad luck, just the same as if a client got run over by an omnibus."

"Look at that now," said a proud Irish mother, holding up her new-born son for admiration. "Isn't he a beauty?" an' sure everybody swears he's just the picture of his mother.

Home and Society

Mr. Russell, of the Empire Theatre, telephoned me yesterday that he had definitely settled with Forbes Robertson to play him here February 8, 9, and 10, in his great play, "The Passing of the Third Floor Back."

There's good news for you.

"No decent plays to go to in Edmonton," you say. Well now you can show how much you appreciate them, when they do come.

Mr. Russell has had the Empire re-carpeted and partly re-decorated, and the boxes renovated and freshened up, and I shall be greatly surprised if they are not all filled with smart parties on the occasion of the appearance in town of so great an actor.

On February 5, 6 and 7, Mr. Yule comes here in Sheridan's delightful drama "The Rivals." I have still a fine recollection of his very clever work here in "Canada" and anticipate a great deal of pleasure in seeing him and his excellent company once again.

These and the Assembly this Friday night are the principal attractions in store, in the near future.

Mrs. Barnes, the Regent of the Westward Ho Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire, informs me that the four guns, presented by the Government to the Chapter, have been placed temporarily in front of the Armories of the 19th Dagoons on College street, where they present a very inspiring appearance, pending the Chapter's looking around to see what schemes are on foot regarding parks and the laying out of the Parliament grounds.

The Westward Ho Chapter have also under consideration, a statue to the late Queen Victoria, to be placed in some public square or park.

The idea originated with Mrs. Taylor, one of the councilors of the local chapter, and is to be carried out by one of the best Canadian sculptors.

The meeting of the committee in charge of the Extension Lectures of the University of Alberta for the season of 1912 was held this week in the Provincial Library.

It was decided to give a course of twelve lectures, three to be given by Prof. Alexander on the later period of the Roman Empire; three by Prof. Broadus on English Literature, comprising the study of the early romances, the work of Caxton, and the beginning of periodical literature; three by Prof. Kerr on Dante and his times; and three by Prof. Fairley on the German Drama. It is probable that Prof. Tory will give two additional lectures on Practical Astronomy.

The lectures will commence on Friday, January 26th, and continue each succeeding Friday until the course is completed with the exception of Good Friday night. The lectures of Dr. Tory will be given at intermediate dates. The price for the course is \$2.00. The committee were not able to decide upon a suitable place for holding the lectures but an announcement on this point will be given later. Membership in the course is open to all, and those desiring to be enrolled should communicate with the Secretary-treasurer, John Blue, Provincial Library. The hour for the lectures is 8 p.m.

I trust these lectures will not resemble one given by a Young Men's Social Club recently, when a grave Professor from across the river came over to address the "boys" and found—one woman, her child and—a venerable Arch-Deacon.

Some people dole on lectures—but oh you bad boys.

The Ke-o-me Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire are giving a musical at the home of Mrs. A. C. Rutherford, Strathcona, on the evening of January 29. An excellent program has been produced. Proceeds in aid of the hospital.

Madame Martin will receive on the first Monday of the month, at 453 Fifteenth street.

The following were inadvertently omitted from last week's notes:

Mrs. Hislop will not receive again until after Easter.

On Wednesday a large number of callers went out to Mrs. Galloway's home on Athabasca avenue, where she received for the first time since coming to town. Mrs. Alan Fraser and Mrs. Wallbridge assisting her. In the tea room Mrs. Jack Anderson, Mrs. Harry Cooper and Miss Grace Johnston assisted in passing the refreshments, while Mrs. Wm. Short and Mrs. Henwood presided at a table prettily done with quantities of pink carnations, on a lovely lace centre. Mrs. Galloway wore a handsome toilette of King's blue satin, draped in figured ninon with a deep border in darker tones.

On Thursday evening Mrs. Percy Barnes was the hostess of a smart Bridge of eight tables. Everyone enjoyed an exceedingly jolly game, Mr. Barnes, who is the kindest of hosts, and the two

daughters of the house, Mrs. Haylock and Miss Barnes, assisting the hostess in seeing that everyone had the happiest kind of a time. Mr. Wilfrid Barnes also assisted in doing the honors.

All three hostesses were beautifully gowned in black.

Mrs. Barnes wore black silk crepe de chine, elaborately ornamented with rat-tail embroidery.

Mrs. Haylock wore black, relieved with gold, and a gold bandeau in her hair, and Miss Phyllis was a picture in soft satin with deep fringe.

Four handsome prizes were awarded, Mr. Palmer Watt, Mr. Field, Madame Martin and Mrs. Palmer Watt carrying home charming souvenirs.

Friday night Mrs. Barnes again entertained at Bridge.

Mrs. Hislop is also a Bridge hostess this evening (Friday.) On Wednesday, she and Dr. Hislop entertained eight or nine tables at the perennially popular game. Mrs. Wallbridge, Mrs. Ferris, and Mrs. Benson, and Mr. Pardee, Dr. Ferris and Mr. Bruce McLeod making the highest scores.

Mrs. Hislop received, looking charming in a black and gold striped gown with gold garnitures.

Following the game a delicious supper was served.

On Tuesday afternoon and evening, Mrs. Wm. Jennings entertained at two smart Bridge parties, five tables playing in the afternoon, resulting in Mrs. Nash and Mrs. Depew carrying off the honors, while seven tables played in the evening with Mrs. Nightingale and Dr. Malcolmson and Mrs. Turnbull and Mr. Christie as victors. In the afternoon Mrs. Jennings wore a modish toilette of black and white with touches of cerise, and at night a lovely ercu lace robe, over Paddy Green satin.

Mrs. Harry Cooper is home from a most enjoyable visit in Saskatoon, and will receive on the 4th Tuesday of this month resuming her former day after that for the remainder of the season.

Mrs. James McGeorge has chosen the 1st Friday of each month for her reception day.

Mrs. Frank Smith is expecting Miss Marie Cosigan of Calgary up for a visit.

Next Friday afternoon the Women's Curling Club will play off their match for the Ash Bros. Cup, followed by a tea at which Mrs. James Smith and Mrs. Dickins will be the hostesses. A great deal of interest is being taken in the event, and no doubt there will be a big rally of the supporters of each of the rinks. The match begins about 3.15, and takes place at the Capital rink.

Miss Marjorie Beck was the hostess of a girl's tea on Thursday afternoon, and Mrs. Dickins of a Bridge on the same evening. Particulars of both events I shall have to hold over until our next issue.

On Friday evening last, at Mrs. Percy Barnes' second Bridge, where eight tables again played a most enjoyable game, Mrs. Tom Davies and Dr. Ferris captured the prizes, Mrs. Davies winning an attractive brass card receiver, and Dr. Ferris a pack of cards in a morocco case.

The big event of last week, both as regards the number interested and the occasion itself, was the Inaugural Luncheon, held at the King Edward Hotel on Saturday, of the Edmonton Women's Canadian Club.

By actual count, one hundred and sixty-two guests were present, among them Mrs. Bulyea, the Honorary President of the Club, who came looking very smart in a lovely cinnamon-brown charmeuse toilette with touches of Saxe blue and hand-sewn wool embroidery, a hat en saute.

Of the excellent speeches made by Mrs. Arthur Murphy, the Club's first President, and the "Random Reminiscences" of Mrs. McQueen, have you who were not there even not long ago had the full gist of them, by word of mouth, and in the verbatim reports in the daily papers?

It was an inspiring gathering, a wonderful inaugural function of women for a Land's End City, such as Edmonton.

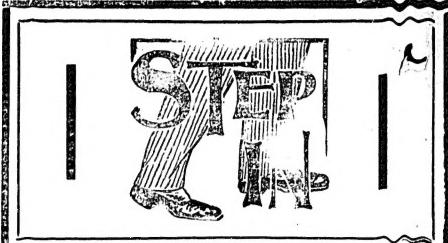
The Club starts off to a beginning, without precedent I think may say, in women's clubs in the West. What will the harvest be?

I didn't go to the annual meeting of the Women's Local Council held in the Y.M.C.A. on Thursday. I held a long council meeting instead at home, wrestling with the common problem of what to do in a public way for women, but how to manage my own woman's Chinese puzzle in the region of pals and pals.

I hear though, that the question of Woman's Suffrage came up, and that there were minds not all at one on the subject. Perhaps by next week I shall have had fuller particulars.

Mrs. James Smith gives a dinner tonight (Friday) prior to the dance, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Dickey and Mr. Michaelson being the invited guests.

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Groat, 24th St., Blk. 26, 2 lots, \$4500; half cash.

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Glenora, Blk. 77, 4 lots, \$1400 each; \$800 cash each.

Glenora, Blk. 37, 4 lots, \$675 each; half cash.

Inglewood, Blk. 53, \$1300; half cash.

Inglewood, Blk. 49, \$1350 cash.

Inglewood, Blk. 23, 3 lots, \$900 each; half cash.

H.B.R., Blk. 13, House and barn, south of track, corner lot, \$6500; \$3500 cash, balance 2 years.

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The governor had taken a great fancy to a man who had come to him to urge the appointment of a certain candidate to state office. He was a man of most engaging appearance and address, and Mr. Cleveland, not knowing that he was a man of unreliable character and loose morals, let his private secretary understand that he had determined to give him the place, instead of offering it to the candidate in whose behalf he had spoken.

Colonel Lamont knew that the appointment would be a blunder, and might result in a scandal. Instead of saying so at once, he managed the affair with elaborate indirection. He sought the aid of the lieutenant-governor, Mr. Hill, and later in the day this drama was enacted in the governor's room:

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AN UNREASONABLE WOMAN.

Although much has been said and written on the subject, we do not yet realize how desperately lonely a woman can be in a thinly settled farming community. Probably no one can ever realize it except the woman herself.

They had taken Seth Hodgkin's wife to the state insane asylum. The day after she left him, Seth, who had been a good husband to her from the date of their first wedding anniversary to the date of her silver-wedding anniversary,—which there had been no parties to celebrate—received a visit of con-

dolence from his nearest neighbor, two miles away.

Seth turned from a sink piled high with dirty dishes, to clear a chair for his guest.

"I shall have to hire more help. It seems as if she had been gone a year," he said.

"I always supposed that Harriet enjoyed good health," said the sympathetic friend.

Harriet Hodgkin's husband looked in dazed and futile inquiry from the sprawly pattern on the bright new oilcloth that she had bought with the carefully saved egg-money to the view from the kitchen window, a wide, snowy green-trees and a patch of darkening sky. The kitchen did not face the road.

"I cannot understand," he said, "what ailed Harriet. She has hardly been out of this kitchen for fifteen years!"

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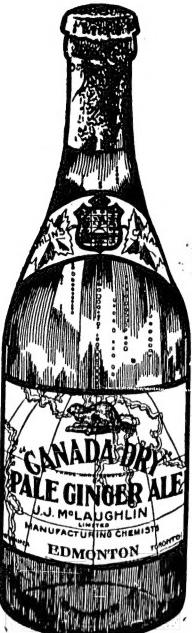
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By Katharine Tynan

A cottage I would have which opens
Just where the lovely country drops
To valleys full of umbraged trees
And shining grass in waved seas.

My windows, diamond-paned, should look
Over an orchard with a brook,
And little apples growing round,
And many a pleasant sight and sound.

No naked plateau cold and wide
Enchants me like this countryside,
Opening in valleys at my feet,
And every valley gray with heat.

Below the oaks the cattle press;
Great peace is theirs, sweet heaviness;
With beechen coppices that hide
The feathered bridegroom and the bride.

The hops cling round the poles and leap;
The lovely valley's full of sleep,
Where the browned peasant smiles to hear
His country's praise, sweet to his ear.

I hear the heart of England beat
In the rich loam beneath my feet;
This ordered beauty, vale and hill,
That holds the heart of England still.

Beauty that changes, yet endures,
This good God's gift is mine and yours;
For gentle and for common men
God builds his glory over again.

Give me a cottage—gable small,
Smothered in roses, roof and wall,
A cottage garden, bright and gay,
And time to write and time to pray.

Last night a woman told me she was off in a day or so for Honolulu.

Honolulu!

She said it moreover quite as if she was taking a run over to Strathcona.

Now that woman doesn't believe in fairies or magic wands or any of the other delightful paraphernalia of fairy-land, and yet, just because she has sold some corner lots, or her husband has, it is possible for her to drop in a day or so into a Lotus-Land of indescribable delights, while I and the rest of you, have perforce to remain at home and keep the kettle boiling. Who regulates this sort of thing?

Who is it who sits and doles out the corner lots, thus handing out to some the keys of Paradise, whilst others of us pound longingly at the gate? Some say Luck, some Business Perspicacity. I can't understand it. I only know that every time I pass a corner lot I break the tenth commandment. They are dull and uninteresting looking enough, though, just gazing at them as you pass.

A clump of trees, a little stretch of land. Maybe a shoe-repairing shack stuck where the two streets cross.

Yet from the magic of this common looking bit of earth, spring motor-cars, trips to Honolulu, French frocks, sails down the Mediterranean.

The day my friend made known her intention of departing south, I stared very hard at a corner lot I know.

It was dusk, one of those wonderful white nights when the air was soft and balmy as in April day, and all the ghostly lithe young poplars, stretched powder-ed, snowy-glistening fingers in the direction of the stars.

Trees are such wonderful things.

You know Arthur Rackham's?

If not seek out his Peter Pan, and you will see that trees are not just trees at all, but old crones who wag warning fingers at you; old men who hold grave counsels over you.

Perhaps I was thinking something along these lines when I looked again—and I noticed one standing off from its fellows, and lo it was in the shape of a marble ladder—and then I knew that it was the ghost of the Beanstalk that Jack mounted, when he made those very profitable trips of his to the Castle of the Giant.

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The Hardstone Brick Company of Edmonton, Ltd., is being formed for the purpose of taking over the sand-pit, real estate and the entire plant and buildings of Pressed Bricks Ltd., of Edmonton. In place of the present plant which has not proved satisfactory, the new company will install sand-lime brick machinery manufactured by Messrs. Roehrig and Koenig of Magdeburg, Germany, which is known as the "Magdeburg system," and which is pronounced to be THE FINEST SAND-LIME BRICK MACHINERY IN EXISTENCE. This system is gradually displacing all machinery of a similar kind on the European continent.

The agents for the sale of this machinery on the American continent are Messrs. Leitner, Euwecke and Peters of Winnipeg, Man., and the following is a copy of the terms and guarantee given by them:

"The machinery required for the new Sand-Lime Brick plant in Edmonton, will include a complete, up-to-date Magdeburg System, as per list of machinery furnished, and will also include two patented revolver presses, with a minimum output of 30,000 bricks per day, automatic in every particular and guaranteed the most up-to-date presses in the world. The price given below will include, in addition to the machinery, a thorough overhauling and rebuilding of the entire plant, foundations, installations, mummings, taking out all the old machinery, re-constructing and rebuilding the plant, which will be delivered and guaranteed by us to be in first-class working order, twelve months after the completion of the plant. The price quoted also includes our new coloring system, by which we can color bricks in any shade WITHOUT COLORS, and this secret process will be given the Company free of charge, on certain conditions. This new coloring process is absolutely weather proof in any climate, and has wonderful advantages over the old method of coloring. The total NET cost of this plant, turned over to the Company in first class working order is \$70,000."

Messrs. Leitner, Euwecke and Peters have subscribed for \$10,000 of stock in the new company and have agreed to forfeit this sum should their estimated dividend of 30 per cent. on the above capital, as a result of the first year's operations not be realized. Mr. Euwecke, who is a German engineer with 12 years' experience with the leading sand-lime brick plants in Europe, recently visited Edmonton and reported most favorably on the sand and local conditions generally. He has personally superintended the erection of a number of plants in Germany, which are today big dividend paying concerns. Mr. Euwecke will personally

supervise the erection and practical working of the plant of the Hardstone Brick Company of Edmonton, Ltd. for the first year at least. It should be mentioned that a sample of the sand from the property to be taken over from Pressed Bricks Ltd. was recently sent to Germany, the subsequent report being that the sand was of excellent quality and highly suitable for the manufacture of a first-class sand-lime brick.

The assets to be taken over by the new company are as follows:

Real estate, 11 1/2 acres at cost two years ago	\$17,250.00
Factory building, engine house, etc., and construction of plant, cost	37,620.73
Plant account, machinery, freight, etc.	10,517.54
Loose tools	184.67
Boarding house, building and equipment	1,683.70
Stable	694.88

Total \$67,960.52

On a most conservative estimate the real estate to be taken over is worth today not less than \$30,000.

The new company will also take over liabilities to the extent of some \$21,000 from Pressed Bricks Ltd., leaving a surplus of close to \$46,000.

The following is a statement of estimated profits, based on figures compiled by Mr. Euwecke, after carefully investigating local conditions, and personally examining the property of Pressed Bricks, Ltd.

REVENUE.

Revenue from 7,500,000 bricks at \$12 per 1,000	\$90,000.00
Allowing 10 per cent for depreciation etc.	
on total cost of plant (not net)	\$8,500.00
Repairing and sundries	1,500.00
Total	\$10,000.00

TOTAL REVENUE \$80,000.00

EXPENSES.

1 foreman from Germany (expert)	
free house and, per day	\$5.00
1 machinist and fireman, per day	3.50
1 night fireman, per day	3.50
11 laborers at \$3.00 per day each 33.00	
Labor, per day, total	\$45.00
In 250 working days at \$45.00 per day	11,250.00
Office expenses	2,000.00
For 7,500,000 bricks, 37,500 bushels of lime are necessary, at 40 cts. per bushel	15,000.00

1,400 tons of coal are necessary at \$4.50 per ton	6,300.00
Oil, grease and electric light	450.00
Total	\$35,000.00

GUARANTEED PROFITS \$45,000.00

These profits constitute an annual dividend of 30 per cent on a paid up capital of \$150,000.

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Per E. W. Peters.

While the selling price of the bricks has been placed in the above statement at \$12 per 1,000, it is the opinion of experts that so perfect a face brick should never sell below \$20 per 1,000. The bricks are FIRE PROOF, WATER PROOF and FROST PROOF, and are ready for use as soon as they leave the machinery, although the bricks may be manufactured and stored outside all winter as the frost only tends to make them harder.

The above profits are estimated at 30,000 bricks per 10 hours day, working night shifts will double the profits and output, and in no way injure the machinery.

The capital stock offered for sale, viz.: \$95,000, is required for the purchase of the plant, wiping off the liabilities of the Pressed Bricks Ltd., the obtaining of spur track facilities and working capital.

It might be pointed out that in the Hardstone Brick Company of Edmonton, Ltd., there is NO WATERED STOCK.

Amongst the prominent citizens who are already interested in the company are:

His Honor Lieut. Governor Bulyea, Lieut. Gov. of Alberta.
D. R. Fraser, Lumber Merchant, Edmonton.
J. H. Gariepy, Capitalist, Edmonton.
C. Gallagher, Capitalist, Edmonton.
Alfred Brown, Capitalist, Edmonton.
John Macdonald, Capitalist, Edmonton.
H. J. Hellwell, Capitalist, Edmonton.
John Walter, Lumber Merchant, Strathcona.
P. E. Lessard, M.P.P., Capitalist, Edmonton.
Thos. Bellamy, Merchant, Edmonton.
Killen and Gilbert, Real Estate, Edmonton.
Messrs. Ernest Beaufort and Company, Ltd., the promoters of the company, would refer intending subscribers to any of the above named gentlemen.

As already stated, \$55,000 of the required capital has already been subscribed, leaving \$95,000 for sale at par.

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He was born (says the Sheffield Daily Telegraph) at a Sheffield public house, and was left an orphan at an early age. At the age of fourteen he began to work for Messrs. Naylor, Vickers & Co., the enterprise that led to the great firm of Vickers, of Barrow, and at the works at Millands he earned a few shillings a week by treading the clay that was made into crucible pots. Owing to bad health he was transferred to the warehouse, and he remained in the service of the firm for forty-five years, retiring about eighteen years ago.

The beginning of his fortune was the investment of £200 saved in pennies, in Vickers' shares. These shares advanced in value so rapidly that in fifteen years the £200 investment was worth £15,000.

Smith's next investment of £200 in Spanish securities was entirely lost, but after this he never looked back, and his speculations were remarkably successful.

The rigid personal economy which brought him his first £200 became part of his life, and even in later years he made very little departure in the way of spending money on personal comforts or a better style of dress. He married late in life, and left a widow, a son, and a daughter.

The old man always kept a strict silence about his financial dealings, but a near relative values the estate at £80,000.

PAINTING EIFFEL TOWER.

The Eiffel Tower changes its dress every five or six years at a cost of from \$14,000 to \$16,000. The date is at hand when fifty painters will find occupation for three or four months in covering the 180,000 square yards of its surface with a new coat of paint.

The shade has yet to be decided upon. The Eiffel Tower started twenty-two years ago in orange, wore red in 1893, golden yellow in 1899 and silver white on the summit and chrome yellow at the base in 1907. There are people who would vote for an invisible shade of khaki for the coming renewal. The tower is now used as a wireless telegraph station, as a post for an electric device to prevent halliards and as a guiding mark for aviators.

WHY A FRENCH SHIP GOT THERE FIRST

The wreck of the steamship Delhi, on which the Duke of Fife and his wife, the Princess Royal and their daughters were passengers, has brought to notice the fact that the wireless telegraph stations of the British navy are not attuned to receive messages from commercial ships. The wireless distress signals of the Delhi passed ineffectively over the wireless masts of the Admiralty at Gibraltar, but were caught by the French cruiser Frian, which put on full speed and had practically completed the rescue of the Royal party and other passengers before any British warship came in sight.

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Music and Drama

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